

# MOBILISING KINGDOM LIVING

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# “Having Kingdom Perspectives”









Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:7 (NLT)

**<sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.**

**“Of all the commandments, which is the most important?”**

**<sup>29</sup> Jesus replied, “The most important commandment is this: ‘Listen, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. <sup>30</sup> And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.’<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>31</sup> The second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’<sup>[b]</sup> No other commandment is greater than these.”**



- LOVE GOD (A relationship based on love toward God)
- 2. LOVE YOURSELF (A relationship based on love toward oneself)
- 3. LOVE OTHERS (A relationship based on love toward others)

**The Five Perspectives...**

# 1. The Upward View (Toward God)

Mark 12:30 ESV

**<sup>30</sup> And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.**



# 1. The Upward View (Toward God)

## A. What He Desires:

Hosea 6:6 NIV

**For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.**



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## B. What He Thinks:

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

**<sup>11</sup> “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future”.**

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C. What He feels:

Jeremiah 31:3 NIV

**<sup>3</sup> The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: “I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness”.**



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D. What He Sees:

1 Samuel 16:7 NIV

**<sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”**

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E. What Pleases Him:

Psalm 34:14 NIV

**<sup>14</sup> Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.**



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## F. What He Promises

### 2 Chronicles 7:14 NIV

**<sup>14</sup> if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.**

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G. What He Values:

James 4:10 NIV

**<sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.**



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H. What He Does:

Isaiah 41:13 NIV

**<sup>13</sup> For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, do not fear; I will help you.**

## 2. The Inward View (Toward Oneself)

Mark 12: 31 NIV

<sup>31</sup> The second is this: 'Love your neighbour **as yourself.**'



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A. Priest:

Galatians 6:4-5 NIV

**<sup>4</sup> Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, <sup>5</sup> for each one should carry their own load.**

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### B. King:

- **Governs his own life.** Proverbs 16:32
- **Governs his own family.** Joshua 24:15
- **Governs what God has entrusted to him.** Luke 16:10-12NIV
- <sup>10</sup> “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. <sup>11</sup> So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?”



## 2. The Inward View (Toward Oneself)

C. Prophet:

1 Timothy 4:12 NIV

**<sup>12</sup> Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.**

### 3. The Backward View (Towards The Past)

Psalm 143:5 NIV

<sup>5</sup> I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done.

Deuteronomy 4:9 NIV

<sup>9</sup> Only be careful and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.



## 4. The Forward View (Toward The Future)

**Philippians 2:13 NIV**

**<sup>13</sup> for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfil his good purpose.**

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We must ask ourselves these three essential questions:

- Do I want to?
- Can I?
- Should I?



# 5. The Outward View (Toward Everything And Everyone Around Us)

Mark 12: 31 NIV

<sup>31</sup> The second is this: ‘**Love your neighbour** as yourself.’

With this 360-degree view, a person **CONNECTS** with everything and everyone around them...

# 5. The Outward View (Toward Everything And Everyone Around Us)

Proverbs 1:20-21 NIV

<sup>20</sup> Out in the open wisdom calls aloud, she raises her voice in the public square; <sup>21</sup> on top of the wall she cries out, at the city gate she makes her speech...

**Jesus walked slowly through life... to Him, no one was invisible.**

**Ubuntu...**



**"No one is completely self-sufficient; everyone is connected to others and part of a larger whole. If even a small piece of land is washed away by the sea, Europe is made smaller— every person's death affects me, because I am part of humanity. That's why you should never ask for whom the bell is tolling; it's tolling for you."**

**John Donne, *Meditation XVII***

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